

# Election Notice for use with the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB)

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## Issued by the Mahoning County Board of Elections

BOE to check one: ☐ Initial notification (to be posted 100 days prior to date of election)  
☒ Updated notification (to be posted 46 days prior to date of election)

### **AUGUST 8, 2023 SPECIAL ELECTION**

(month, date, year, primary/general/special)

| State Issues |  |               |
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| Number       | Title  | Precincts     |
| 1            | <p><b>Issue 1</b><br/><b>Proposed Constitutional Amendment</b></p> <p><b>Elevating the Standards to Qualify for an Initiated Constitutional Amendment and to Pass a Constitutional Amendment</b></p> <p><b>Proposed by Joint Resolution of the General Assembly To amend Sections 1b, 1e, and 1g of Article II and Sections 1 and 3 of Article XVI of the Constitution of the State of Ohio</b></p> <p><b>A majority yes vote is necessary for the amendment to pass.</b></p> <p>The proposed amendment would:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Require that any proposed amendment to the Constitution of the State of Ohio receive the approval of at least 60 percent of eligible voters voting on the proposed amendment.</li><li>Require that any initiative petition filed on or after January 1, 2024 with the Secretary of State proposing to amend the Constitution of the State of Ohio be signed by at least five percent of the electors of each county based on the total vote in the county for governor in the last preceding election.</li><li>Specify that additional signatures may not be added to an initiative petition proposing to amend the Constitution of the State of Ohio that is filed with the Secretary of State on or after January 1, 2024 proposing to amend the Constitution of the State of Ohio.</li></ul> <p>If passed, the amendment will be effective immediately.</p> <p><b>SHALL THE AMENDMENT BE APPROVED?</b></p> | All Precincts |

## **INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER FOR INDICATING YOUR CHOICES ON A FEDERAL WRITE-IN ABSENTEE BALLOT (FWAB):**

To complete a Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB), go to [www.fvap.gov](http://www.fvap.gov). You have the option of downloading a blank, hard copy FWAB to complete by hand, or proceeding through electronic completion of the FWAB using the website's FWAB Wizard.

The first page of the FWAB is a Voter Declaration/Affirmation you must complete in order for your ballot to count.

After completing the Voter Declaration/Affirmation, use the initial election notice issued on the 100<sup>th</sup> day before the election and the updated election notice issued on the 46<sup>th</sup> day before the election as a guide to:

- (1) write the name of each candidate or issue contest for which you are casting a vote and then
- (2) write the name of your choice of candidate or choice for or against an issue.

After you have completed the FWAB, **you must PRINT the ballot and MAIL it to your county board of elections at this address: Mahoning County Board of Elections, 345 Oak Hill Ave., Suite 101, Youngstown, OH 44502.**

A complete listing of all county board of elections mailing addresses and contact information is available at:  
<https://ohiosos.gov/SOS/elections/electionsofficials/boeDirectory.aspx#dir>.

**Do not send your ballot via e-mail or fax. Ohio law prohibits electronic transmission of a voted ballot.**